

REMARKS

This Amendment is intended to fully respond to the non-final Office Action mailed in the present application on July 18, 2005. In this Office Action, claims 1, 2, 16, 23, 27 and 28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112. Specifically, Examiner Dixon asserts that use of the word "if" renders these claims indefinite and suggests replacing this term with the term "when." Applicant notes with appreciation Examiner Dixon's courtesy in recommending these claim amendments and hereby amends claims 1, 2, 16, 23, 27 and 28 in such fashion without prejudice.

With that said, all pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to expeditiously resolve such concerns. No fees are believed due with this Amendment. However, if this is not the case, please charge any requisite fees, including any extension fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to Deposit Account No. 13-2725. Additionally, please credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,



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